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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ichio AKAMI et al.

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**SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE
OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This Substitute Amendment is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 28, 2005 (copy attached). The Amendment previously filed on November 9, 2004 in response to an Office Action dated July 9, 2004 is still timely filed. A Petition for a one-month extension of time to respond and fee therefore was attached to previous Amendment filed on November 9, 2004. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.